Composition of CACP

5140. DR ABRAR AHMED:Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the composition of Agricultural Costs and Prices Commission at present; and

(b) when it was last constituted and what is its term of office?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRIHUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) The Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP) is a seven members advisory body consisting of one Chairman, two Members (Official), three Members (Non-Official) and one Member Secretary.

(b) The CACP was last constituted in December, 1989. Normal term of Chairman and Members (both Official and Non-official) is three and that of Member Secretary it is five years.

DMS losses

5141. DR. ABRAR AHMED : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the main reasons for monetary losses suffered by Delhi Milk Scheme during the last three years, year-wise; and

(b) how Government propose to make up the losses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YAD AV): (a) The losses in DMS are due to decrease in the sale of milk on account of increase in the sale price of DMS milk with effect from 1-3-2000, under utilization of installed capacity of DMS plant and increase in the processing cost of milk due to increase in input costs. The year-wise losses during the last three years are as under:—

Year	Amount (Rs./Crores)
200001	19.58 (Provisional)
2001-02	16.07 (Provisional)
2002-03	16.62 (Provisional)

(b) The DMS is adopting professional approaches in different areas of operation such as marketing, transportation, reduction in operational losses and reduction of manpower etc.